



## Old Mecham Barn



One of the choice century barns in our county is the Dale Mecham red barn in Wallsburg, which has been in the Mecham family for over 100 years. The barn was built by Lewis L. Mecham in the 1880s or 90's on land purchased by his father in 1863. In the back of the barn, there is a log cabin which was originally the residence of a Duke family

Lewis went to work at a lumber mill part of one summer and took his wages in lumber. In about 1920 - or 1930, a pour room for milk was added. The original pour room sits behind the barn and was lined with cement. The room behind the windows was a milk parlor. Dale added the metal roof about 1980 to

replace the rotting roof.

The subsequent owners of this barn were William Mecham, Dee Mecham, and Dale Mecham.

The wagon is a restoration - the axle and wheels belonged to grandpa Lewis and the original wagon went to the Salt Lake Temple dedication in 1893. The wagon was restored by Dale who took it on the Centennial Wagon Train in the summer of 1996. The sign hanging near their home certifies that this farm as been in the Mecham family for 100 years.

Bring us your barn pictures with a brief history. Florine Whiting, 654-0101.